



Lake Carriers' Association

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U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage on the Great Lakes: October 2002-2007 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Average 2002-2006
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	4,769,602	4,085,457	4,653,325	4,597,243	4,345,968	4,607,352	4,490,319
Transshipments	426,195	211,172	238,068	268,006	317,107	101,146	292,110
Total - Iron Ore	5,195,797	4,296,629	4,891,393	4,865,249	4,663,075	4,708,498	4,782,429
Coal							0
Lake Superior	1,710,732	1,487,538	1,565,124	1,854,789	1,842,782	1,747,910	1,692,193
Lake Michigan	270,711	386,295	423,560	406,553	364,351	379,138	370,294
Lake Erie	634,342	725,030	517,033	687,869	480,571	642,348	608,969
Total - Coal	2,615,785	2,598,863	2,505,717	2,949,211	2,687,704	2,769,396	2,671,456
Limestone	3,378,615	3,337,355	3,581,970	3,055,717	3,055,157	2,985,181	3,281,763
Cement	394,816	404,855	385,055	423,783	450,062	363,550	411,714
Salt	103,149	148,778	98,291	119,530	114,404	185,169	116,830
Sand	36,505	56,206	47,414	63,730	95,281	82,735	59,827
Grain	65,421	82,737	43,417	28,478	45,391	56,735	53,089
Totals	11,790,088	10,925,423	11,553,257	11,505,698	11,111,074	11,151,264	11,377,108

U.S.-Flag Dry-Bulk Cargo Carriage: Year-To-Date 2002-2007 and 5-Year Average (net tons)

Commodity	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	Average 2002-2006
Iron Ore							
Direct Shipments	36,664,728	32,369,404	38,979,971	35,942,040	37,315,382	36,439,784	36,254,305
Transshipments	1,545,598	1,273,355	2,425,326	2,238,692	2,850,311	1,883,977	2,066,656
Total - Iron Ore	38,210,326	33,642,759	41,405,297	38,180,732	40,165,693	38,323,761	38,320,961
Coal							0
Lake Superior	10,813,419	11,568,645	12,272,303	14,221,801	13,691,673	13,339,677	12,513,568
Lake Michigan	1,831,594	2,200,020	2,863,841	3,129,701	2,465,611	2,121,693	2,498,153
Lake Erie	4,610,191	3,748,460	4,151,970	4,754,293	4,069,385	4,802,340	4,266,860
Total - Coal	17,255,204	17,517,125	19,288,114	22,105,795	20,226,669	20,263,710	19,278,581
Limestone	21,800,936	20,141,407	25,178,850	23,777,419	23,809,296	21,599,087	22,941,582
Cement	3,189,319	3,257,055	3,339,375	3,221,022	3,396,710	3,047,609	3,280,696
Salt	516,999	804,049	898,407	860,019	921,421	991,146	800,179
Sand	184,359	434,134	386,867	398,640	360,878	387,986	352,976
Grain	264,151	286,854	287,677	312,605	268,898	338,920	284,037
Totals	81,421,294	76,083,383	90,784,587	88,856,232	89,149,565	84,952,219	85,259,012

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